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CALIFORNIA COMMITTEE ON MEDICAL PREPAREDNESS†

Medical Supplies and Priorities

Since the advent of priorities as a part of the current national defense picture, many physicians and medical institutions have been concerned about the possible shutting off of medical and surgical supplies because of prior demands of defense industries recognized by the Office of Production Management. Fears of such material stoppages have been expressed particularly for surgical and diagnostic instruments, which require steel and alloys, and for x-ray equipment, which uses steel, copper, bakelite, and roentgen tubes.

Physicians may now rest assured that their essential materials will continue to be supplied by manufacturers, defense material priorities notwithstanding.

A letter, in response to a California Medical Association request to the Office of Production Management, outlines the manner in which materials on the Office of Production Management's "Health Supplies List" will continue to be furnished to manufacturers for fabricating and distribution to the medical profession. The Office of Production Management has set up a Health Supplies Section, which has power to issue priority ratings classified by the Office of Production Management as A-10.

Basically, the health supplies program of the Office of Production Management permits producers of items on the official list to secure raw materials needed in their manufacture under a priority rating of A-10, which is made a part of the complete Office of Production Management's priority plan. Materials on the Health Supplies List are the following:

1. Adhesive plasters
2. Anesthesia apparatus and supplies
3. Biologicals, antitoxins, and serums
4. Clinical thermometers
5. Diagnostic instruments

† Harold A. Fletcher, M. D., 490 Post Street, San Francisco, is the chairman of the California Committee on Medical Preparedness. Charles A. Dukes, M. D., 426 Seventeenth Street, Oakland, is a member of the American Medical Association Committee on Medical Preparedness. Roster of county chairmen on Medical Preparedness appeared in CALIFORNIA AND WESTERN MEDICINE, August, 1940, on page 86.

† For complete roster of officers, see advertising pages 2, 4, and 6.

6. Hospital laboratory equipment and supplies
7. Hospital operating-room equipment
8. Hypodermic syringes and needles
9. Instruments (surgical and dental)
10. Medicinal chemicals (limited to medical use only)
11. Rubber hospital sundries
12. Sterilizers, hospital
13. Surgical dressings
14. X-ray equipment and supplies (medical and dental).

Any physician who is told by a supplier that specified materials cannot be delivered because of inability to secure a raw material priority should immediately tell that supplier that there is an Office of Production Management plan by which the supplier can obtain an A-10 priority for such articles as are listed above. In case there is further delay on the ground of priorities, please send all facts to the California Medical Association central office, where every effort will be made to secure expeditious delivery of contemplated purchases.

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Military Surgeons' Meeting

Among the many medical meetings of this year, one of the most timely and interesting is that of the Association of Military Surgeons of the United States to be held on October 29 to November 1 at the Brown Hotel, Louisville, Kentucky.

All members of the medical profession are invited to attend as guests, and it is particularly hoped that as many members of the Medical Defense Committees as possible will come.

War medicine and surgery has changed considerably since the previous emergency. Mechanization of armies and air bombardments have created new and difficult problems in traumatic surgery and methods of treatments of wounds and extreme abrasions.

The session concludes with a mass review of Military Medicine and an inspection of Fort Knox.

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Emergency Medical Service for Civilian Defense

The first of a series of pamphlets outlining medical provisions for civilian defense, designed for the organization of emergency medical field units, entitled *Emergency Medical Service for Civilian Defense*, Bulletin No. 1, has been issued by the Office of Civilian Defense.

The Bulletin outlines in considerable detail a basic plan for the organization and expansion of hospital facilities along both seaboards and in industrial areas in the interior. It also outlines plans for the rapid expansion of nursing facilities through intensive training of adequate numbers of volunteer nurses' aides and other nursing auxiliaries. . . .

The pamphlet describes the changed technique of warfare predicated upon the bombing of civilians as necessitating preparation for providing medical service to casualties through establishment of medical field units. It declares the organization of such facilities must be a fundamental part of the civilian defense program.

After outlining, in diagram form, the structure of Emergency Medical Service, the pamphlet thereupon describes in detail the basic organization plan. . . .

The Bulletin was prepared by the Medical Division of the Office of Civilian Defense, of which Dr. George Baehr, Medical Director, United States Public Health Service, is Chief Medical Officer, and the Medical Advisory Board, of which he is chairman. It will be distributed by State Councils of Civilian Defense to local Directors of Civilian Defense. The office of the Ninth Civilian Defense Area is located at 233 Sansome Street, San Francisco.

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United States Public Health Service: Training Courses for Nurses

Surgeon-General Thomas Parran of the United States Public Health Service recently called for fifty thousand

well-educated young women to begin training this fall for professional nursing careers in order to "avert serious damage to the nation's health during the present emergency."

Doctor Parran declared that this large number of students is needed to meet the tremendous demand for graduate registered nurses as a result of the national defense program. Student nurses actually contribute valuable service shortly after entering schools of nursing, and thus would relieve more staff nurses in civilian hospitals to assume defense duties, he pointed out.

The States Relations Division of the United States Public Health Service, under Doctor Parran's direction, is administering a recent Congressional appropriation of \$1,250,000 which will facilitate the training of these additional nurses. . . .

In addition to recruiting more student nurses, thousands of registered graduate nurses are being mobilized for total national defense.

The American Red Cross is conducting an enrollment campaign for its First Reserve, official reservoir of nurses for the Army and Navy, and at present has an enrollment of 20,549. . . .

Surgeon-General James C. Magee of the Army reports that "the Army Nurse Corps is enrolling approximately 600 reserve nurses per month. At present there are 5,831 nurses on active duty, of which 4,512 are reserve nurses. The authorized quota for the Army Nurse Corps for the fiscal year of 1942 is 8,237 nurses. This is expected to be achieved by December 31.

"Should the country declare war at any time in the future, the need for more registered graduate nurses would mount astronomically. This is based on records of the last war, when nearly 22,000 nurses were on active duty."

The Navy Nurse Corps, while necessarily smaller than the Army nursing staff, is also expanding. . . .

Among other Government nursing agencies planning expansions in their personnel is the Veterans' Administration, which now employs approximately five thousand registered graduate nurses. . . .

Civilian hospitals in some parts of the country are understood to be critically affected by the increasing demand for nursing service. At present, there are approximately ten thousand vacancies in all graduate registered nurse positions in the nation's hospitals, according to a recent survey published in the *American Journal of Nursing*. . . .

A nation-wide recruitment campaign has just been launched to enroll the required additional thousands of high school and college graduates in schools of nursing for the fall term, which begins next month. Young women with good educational backgrounds who are interested in becoming professional nurses are being urged to contact the superintendents of nurses in their local hospitals, or to write to the Nursing Information Bureau at 1790 Broadway, New York City, for full details on the training program.

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Ninth Civil Defense Area (COPY)

OFFICE OF CIVILIAN DEFENSE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

September 22, 1941.

To Secretary of California Medical Association:

On September 13, 1941, Mayor LaGuardia sent the following telegram in connection with the appointment of Dr. Wallace Hunt to the Ninth Civilian Defense Area:

"Dr. Wallace Hunt, 2451 Westmont Way, Seattle, Washington, commissioned today Senior Surgeon, United States Public Health Service, for duty as Regional Medical Officer, Ninth Civilian Defense Area. Hunt being instructed establish contact Washington State Defense Council before proceeding San Francisco.

You are at liberty to publish the above paragraph in the journal of your State organization.

Very truly yours,
(Signed) GEORGE BAEHR, M. D.,
Chief Medical Officer.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC POLICY AND LEGISLATION†

Osteopathic Interns in Army Hospitals

No further action has been taken on H. R. 4476, relative to osteopathic interns in Army hospitals. It is still pending in the Senate Committee on Military Affairs.

Chiropractors and the United States Employees' Compensation Act

As reported in Federal Legislative Bulletin—1, Representative Tolan of California introduced on January 3 a bill, H. R. 1052, to permit chiropractors to treat beneficiaries of the United States Employees' Compensation Act. The bill is identical with a bill introduced by the same Congressman in the Seventy-sixth Congress, H. R. 8963, on which hearings were held but no further action taken.

The pending bill was referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary and by it referred to a subcommittee composed of the following members: Charles F. McLaughlin, Nebraska; Sam Hobbs, Alabama; Dave E. Satterfield, Jr., Virginia; Thomas H. Eliot, Massachusetts; Clarence E. Hancock, New York; Raymond S. Springer, Indiana; and Joseph P. O'Hara, Minnesota.

The foregoing subcommittee is not the same one that gave consideration to the similar bill during the Seventy-sixth Congress, but information has been received that the present subcommittee will not hold public hearings on H. R. 1052. Its recommendation will be based on the hearing held last year. It is understood, however, that the subcommittee will welcome any statements that interested persons may desire to file.

Dr. Henry H. Kessler, a member of the American Medical Association Council on Industrial Health, appeared at the hearing last year as a witness to present the viewpoint of the Association. He has filed an additional statement this year, reemphasizing the reasons he presented last year to justify the position that the enactment of the bill would be in the interest neither of injured federal employees nor of the advancement of scientific medicine. Doctor Kessler has offered the following additional suggestion to the subcommittee:

"Frankness compels me to suggest that the Congress acted unwisely in 1938 when it amended the same section of the United States Employees' Compensation Act as it is now proposed further to amend, by singling out osteopaths for special favors. It was then pointed out that such recognition would precipitate demands by adherents of other forms of sectarian medicine. That prophecy, of course, has materialized in the form of the pending bill embodying the demands of the chiropractors. In the printed hearings on H. R. 8963 you will find on page 38 reference to demands on the part of the naturopaths for similar favors.

Other forms of sectarian healing are recognized in one or more of the several States, such as neuropathy, naprapathy, magnetic healing, mechanotherapy, psychotherapy, spondylotherapy, and faith healing. And if we may judge the future in the light of the past, the end may not yet be in view. The policy that the Congress adopted in 1938, referred to in the preceding paragraph, constitutes an open invitation to all of these various groups to present their demands to Congress for favors similar to those accorded the osteopaths. Cannot these various groups logically contend: "If you place the stamp of federal approval on one group of sectarian healers, without any investigation whatsoever as to the scientific basis of the theories underlying the practice of that group, can you in justice withhold similar favors from other groups?" There can be, it seems to me, but one forthright answer to that question.

† Component County Societies and California Medical Association members should not give endorsements to proposed legislation unless the California Medical Association Committee on Public Policy and Legislation has so requested. On such matters, address: California Medical Association Committee on Legislation, Dwight Murray, M. D., Chairman, 450 Sutter, San Francisco. Telephone, DOuglas 0062.

If the Congress desires to act in the interest of the injured federal employees for the benefit of whom the United States Employees' Compensation Act was passed, and not primarily in the interest of any group of practitioners, it should seriously review, in connection with the pending bill, the action it took in 1938 and by proper amendment delete from the act reference to any form of sectarian medicine. If under a general authorization to provide the necessary care and treatment for injured federal employees covered by the act the administrative agency, the United States Employees' Compensation Commission, cannot be relied on to provide competent practitioners to supply that care and treatment, then the remedy must be sought elsewhere than in the provisions of the 1938 amendment or in the provisions of the pending bill.

On August 19, Senator Murdock of Utah, for himself and Senator Gillette of Iowa, introduced a companion bill in the Senate, S. 1861. This bill was referred to the Senate Committee on the Judiciary, of which Senator Van Nuys of Indiana is chairman. Senator Murdock was a member of the House of Representatives during the Seventy-sixth Congress and was a member of the subcommittee of the House Committee on the Judiciary that gave a public hearing on H. R. 8963, referred to previously.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH EDUCATION†

Los Angeles County Fair

Thousands of Pieces of Literature on Many Health Subjects, Prepared for Lay Reading, Presented From the Booth of the Los Angeles County Medical Association

The picture on the opposite page tells the story of the first exhibit of the Los Angeles County Medical Association at the Los Angeles County Fair at Pomona.

Those members of the Association who stopped at the booth during those times of the day when the crowds were heaviest know the value of this exhibit to medicine; they have seen the interest shown by the people in authentic health information.

While the booth was but one of many in the vast space reserved for educational displays under the grandstand, it apparently stood out above all others in point of interest. In the early hours of the forenoon—at the time the picture on the opposite page was taken—it attracted the attention of practically everyone who was in the space under the grandstand. At times, forty and fifty men and women were waiting in line to obtain the literature that was offered.

More than two thousand persons stopped at the booth during each day of the Fair. Nearly every one of these asked for one or more pieces of literature. If the literature they wanted was not available, their names and addresses were taken; the literature to be sent to them at a later date.

The feature that attracted the visitors to the booth was a full-length x-ray picture showing the entire body from the hairpins in the lady's hair to the nails in her high-heeled shoes. Once they had stopped at the booth, the display of educational literature caught their attention. They did not pick up this literature just because it was free. Nearly every one of them made a close study of the vari-

† The Committee on Public Health Education was established through Substitute Resolution No. 6 at the Del Monte annual session, May 3, 1939.

The Committee on Public Health Education consists of Frank R. Makinson, chairman, Oakland; Philip K. Gilman, secretary, San Francisco; Samuel Ayres, Jr., Los Angeles; Thomas A. Card, Riverside; James F. Doughty, Tracy; Lowell S. Goin, Los Angeles; Junius B. Harris, Sacramento; Henry S. Rogers (ex officio), Petaluma. Communications to the committee may be addressed to Frank R. Makinson, M. D., chairman, Wakefield Building, Oakland, or to the California Medical Association office, 450 Sutter Street, San Francisco.



Fig. 1 (top left).—Portion of the exhibit of the Los Angeles County Medical Association displayed at the Los Angeles County Fair held at Pomona, Friday, September 12, to Sunday, September 28, inclusive. There was a large placard with legend, "Health Defense, Los Angeles County Medical Association," centered above the main exhibit. A life-size x-ray exhibit was the special feature to attract persons. The small diorama showing physician at bedside of sick child was placed to left of exhibit. The battery of charts on the wall above were from *Hygeia*.

Fig. 2 (top right).—Extension portion of the Los Angeles County Medical Association exhibit. Framed charts were loaned by the Los Angeles County Heart Association.

Fig. 3 (center left).—Booth of the Los Angeles County Health Department. Exhibits featured nutrition studies. Special legends stated:

"High Officials Tell Us: Proper Nutrition Is One of Our Chief Defense Problems." "Old 'Doc' says: 'You Can't Stay

Well If You Don't Eat Right.'" "Look! The three trays below will help you plan the use of *balanced diet menus* for today."

Fig. 4 (center right).—Another portion of the booth of the Los Angeles County Health Department. On the five sectors of the pentagon circle were displayed the following: milk products; vegetables; cereals; meats and eggs; other groceries.

Fig. 5 (bottom left).—Portion of the tuberculosis booth. A major legend: "Tuberculosis Costs You Money. Find It—Treat It—Save Money." This booth contained two quiz racks with cards asking "What Do You Know About Tuberculosis?" Each quiz rack had a shelf upon which the cards and card punches were placed. Visitors used the punches and then dropped their cards in the proper slits.

Fig. 6 (bottom right).—Exhibit of Works Progress Administration.

California Fairs—Tentative Dates for 1941

The following is a list of County Fairs held in 1941, with dates. Population of counties is also given.

Serial No.	Dates Held	County (Name)	Place Held	Fair Secretaries	Population
1	Mar. 1-9	Imperial County Mid-Winter Fair	Imperial	D. V. Stewart	70,000
2	13-23	National Orange Show	San Bernardino	William Starke	134,000
3	May 16-18	Solano County Fair	Dixon	M. E. Morgan	41,000
4	16-18	Calaveras County Fair	Angels Camp	Joseph Rydberg	6,000
5	22-25	Butte District Fair	Chico	Mrs. Sylvia Cooke	34,000
6	30-June 1	Mariposa County Fair	Mariposa	George W. Robinson	3,000
7	June 12-14	Tehama County Fair	Red Bluff	Jens C. Petersen	14,000
8	20-22	Placer District Fair	Auburn	Ray Carlisle	24,000
9	July 3-12	Alameda County Fair	Pleasanton	Ernest Schween	475,000
10	4-6	Silverado Fair and Horse Show	Calistoga, Napa County	Frank Piner	23,000
11	17-20	Napa County Fair	Napa	Harrison Cutler	23,000
12	23-27	Santa Barbara County Fair	Santa Maria	J. H. Chambers	65,000
14	30-Aug. 3	Sacramento County Fair	Galt	E. Kenefick	142,000
16	Aug. 2-9	Sonoma County Fair	Santa Rosa	Ralph H. Brown	62,000
17	8-10	Placer County Fair	Roseville	H. A. Crockard	24,000
18	8-10	Contra Costa County Fair	Antioch	Alden Sutton	78,000
19	11-16	Stanislaus District Fair	Turlock	Dr. A. J. Ronsse	56,000
20	12-17	Humboldt County Fair	Ferndale	Dr. J. N. D. Hindley	43,000
21	14-17	Plumas County Fair	Quincy	W. P. Cowan	8,000
22	16-24	San Joaquin County Fair	Stockton	E. G. Vollmann	103,000
23	21-24	Nevada County Fair	Grass Valley	Loyle Freeman	10,000
24	21-24	Butte County Fair	Gridley	W. W. Tull	34,000
25	22-24	Mendocino District Fair	Ukiah	Norman G. Buhn	23,000
26	23-24	Trinity County Fair	Hayfork	J. D. Rourke	3,000
27	19-Sept. 7	California State Fair	Sacramento	Kenneth R. Hammaker	
30	Sept. 4-7	Modoc County Fair	Cedarville	J. Ray Golden	8,000
31	11-13	Shasta District Fair	Anderson	Dudley Saeltzer	13,000
32	11-14	Monterey County Fair	Monterey	V. V. Adams	54,000
33	12-14	El Dorado County Fair	Placerville	John Winkelman	8,000
34	12-14	Amador County Fair	Plymouth	Mrs. Goula Wait	8,000
35	12-28	Los Angeles County Fair	Pomona	C. B. Afferbaugh	2,208,000
36	16-20	Glenn County Fair	Orland	J. J. Flaherty	11,000
37	17-21	Del Norte County Fair	Crescent City	C. A. Cronkhite	5,000
38	18-21	Sutter-Yuba Counties Fair	Marysville	J. A. Fredericks	25,000
39	18-21	San Mateo County Fiesta	San Mateo	Chester Lipman	77,000
40	19-21	Tuolumne County Fair and Horse Show	Sonoma	Mrs. Francis Graham	9,000
41	19-21	Yolo County Fair	Woodland	Harry Crego	23,000
42	22-27	Tulare-Kings Counties Fair	Tulare	A. J. Elliott	102,000
43	24-28	Humboldt District Fair	Eureka	Randolph Smith	43,000
44	24-28	Merced County Fair	Merced	J. J. Uhle	36,000
45	25-28	Colusa County Festival	Colusa	Daniel E. Weyand	10,000
46	30-Oct. 5	Fresno District Fair	Fresno	T. A. Dodge	144,000
47	Oct. 4-12	San Diego County Fair	Del Mar	D. A. Noble	209,000
48	4-12	Santa Clara County Fair	San Jose	Russell Pettit	145,000
49	8-12	Ventura County Fair	Ventura	John Lagomarsino	55,000
50	9-12	Madera County Fair	Madera	H. J. Bunce	17,000
51	10-12	San Benito County Fair	Hollister	J. M. Leonard	11,000
52	16-19	Santa Cruz County Fair	Watsonville	M. W. Johnson	37,000

ous pieces before them and selected those which appealed to them and then asked if there were any charge for it.

The Committee on Public Policy and Relations, in planning for this exhibit, made a careful study of the literature offered by the American Medical Association as a part of their public relations and educational program, and then, with information gained from the experiences of others at fairs of this kind, ordered a large quantity of this material from the American Medical Association, believing that they had ordered enough to last through the eighteen days of the Fair.

However, the Association booth proved far more attractive than anyone had anticipated, and the many cartons of literature which were taken to the Fair by truck disappeared within the first four days. A rush order to the American Medical Association was put through for further literature. This last order, according to Dr. W. W. Bauer, Director of the Bureau of Health Education of the American Medical Association, cleaned out their supply.

Usually one finds literature of this type is picked up and then thrown away. However, little, if any, of this literature was found discarded. It was saved for home reading, and those who got it spoke to others about it, because many came to the booth and asked for certain pamphlets which friends of theirs had told them they could receive at our display.

This illustrates how effective this public relations activity has proved to be. Certainly it warrants exhibits at future fairs.

Much credit goes to the Committee on Public Policy and Relations of the Los Angeles County Medical Association: Dr. Paul A. Quaintance (chairman), Dr. Arthur E. Smith, and Dr. Wallace Dodge.

In the opposite column are listed the various pamphlets and booklets distributed at the booth. Thousands of each of these were well accepted.

THIS LITERATURE IN DEMAND

Following are the titles of the various pamphlets and booklets which were received by thousands at the Los Angeles County Fair at Pomona last month:

Some Contributions by Animals to Human Health (excellent bit of literature answering arguments of antivivisectionists). [Note:—This leaflet was printed by the Committee on Public Health Education of the California Medical Association.]

The Truth About Cataracts
Athlete's Foot
Acne: The Plague of Youth
A Woman Faces Fifty
If I Keep My Health
The Common Cold
Safeguarding the Takeoff to School
Keeping Your Baby Well
What Science Knows About Cancer
Our Food and Our Teeth
How to Choose a Doctor
Watch Your Diet
How to Be an Intelligent Patient
Those First Sex Questions
Story of Life
In Training
How Life Goes On
Experimentation and Animals
That Annual Check-Up
Exercise, an American Fetish
Reducing Diets
How to Gain Weight
Ups and Downs of Weight
Any of the above items may be obtained from the American Medical Association for your reception room.*

* For editorial comment concerning County Fairs, see page 169.

COMMITTEE ON POSTGRADUATE ACTIVITIES†

Lane Medical Lectures

The twenty-eighth course of Lane Medical Lectures will be delivered by Cecil K. Drinker, M. D., D. Sc., Professor of Physiology and Dean of the School of Public Health, Harvard University, on the evenings of October 6, 10, 13, 17, and 20, 1941, at 8:15 o'clock in Lane Hall, Stanford University School of Medicine, at Sacramento Street near Webster, San Francisco.

The medical profession, students, teachers, and research workers in medicine and allied sciences are cordially invited to attend.

1941 LANE LECTURES THE LYMPHATIC SYSTEM

Physiological and Clinical Considerations
by Cecil K. Drinker, M. D., D. Sc.

Lecture I

October 6—Physiological Principles Displayed in the Evolution of the Mammalian Circulation.

Lecture II

October 10—The Blood Capillaries of Mammals.

Lecture III

October 13—The Appearance and Elaboration of the Lymphatic Vessels.

Lecture IV

October 17—The Blood, the Tissue Fluid, and the Lymph as Illustrated by Certain Experiments Upon the Heart and Other Organs.

Lecture V

October 20—Some Lessons for Medicine and Surgery.

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University of California Medical School

Refresher Course: "Clinical Aspects of New Therapy"

The University of California Medical School will offer a refresher course, "Clinical Aspects of New Therapy," in Toland Hall, University of California Hospital, San Francisco, January 5, 6, and 7, 1942.

The course, which will be intensive and designed to meet the needs of physicians in practice, will include the following subjects: Sulfonamide Drugs; Drugs Used on Central Nervous System; Organotherapy; and Drugs Used in Treatment of Diseases of the Adrenal Gland; New Drugs Acting on the Heart and Circulation and Clinical Aspects of Nutrition.

Members of the faculty will participate. Complete and detailed programs will be available shortly. These will be obtainable, upon request, at the Dean's office of the Medical School.

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Southern California Chapter of the American College of Surgeons

Inaugural meeting, held at Los Angeles, October 9-10, 1941. Program follows:

GENERAL SURGERY

Section I

Thursday, October 9, 9:30 a. m., California Hospital

Panel Discussion

Surgery of the Upper Abdomen

Chairman, E. C. Moore

Cholelithiasis—Carl A. Bachuber.

Biliary Tract Disease—O. Dale Lloyd.

Diseases of the Pancreas—Isaac Y. Olch.

Hematemesis—Lewis A. Alesen.
Gastroscopy—Harold Lincoln Thompson.
Peptic Ulcer—J. Norton Nichols.

Friday, October 10, 9:30 a. m., California Hospital
Panel Discussion

Carcinoma of the Breast

Chairman, Maurice Kahn

Statistics—Ian McDonald.

Diagnosis—William S. Quinn.

Surgical Treatment—Harry K. Bonn.

Diagnosis and Pathology—John W. Budd.

Radiology—Clyde K. Emery.

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GENERAL SURGERY

Section II

Thursday, October 9, 9:30 a. m.

Cedars of Lebanon Hospital

Panel Discussion

Diseases of the Thyroid

Chairman, Clarence G. Toland

Anatomical Studies of the Neck—C. J. Baumgartner.

Preparation of the Difficult Patient—Marcus H. Rabwin.

Substernal Goiter—Ralph V. Byrne.

Carcinoma of the Thyroid—William P. Kroger.

Exophthalmic Goiter—E. L. Turner.

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Friday, October 10, 9:30 a. m.

Cedars of Lebanon Hospital

Panel Discussion

The Large Bowel

Chairman, Charles T. Sturgeon

X-ray Diagnosis of the Diseases of the Colon—Kenneth S. Davis.

Miller Abbott Tube—L. C. Bennett.

Diverticulitis—Solomon Strouse.

Total Colectomy for Ulcerative Colitis—Max W. Bay.

Carcinoma of the Colon—E. Eric Larson.

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Obstetrics and Gynecology

Thursday, October 9, 9:30 a. m.

Hollywood Hospital

Panel Discussion

Chairman, E. J. Krahulik

Hormone-Producing Tumors of the Ovary: Presentation of representative cases, including theca cell tumor, granulosa cell tumor, arrhenoblastoma, and adrenal cell tumor—correlation and discussion of clinical and pathological material.

Erle Henrikson

L. Grant Baldwin

Roy E. Fallas

A. N. Webb

Postpartal Morbidity: The time-worn yardstick for estimating morbidity (temperature above 100.4) is considered inadequate. The following titles have practical significance.

Lacerations—Norman H. Williams.

Infections—Ralph Thompson.

Lassitude—Raymond McBurney.

Backache—A. M. McCarthy.

Constipation and Urinary Disturbances—John C. Irwin.

Friday, October 10, 9:30 a. m., Hollywood Hospital

Panel Discussion

Chairman, Harold K. Marshall

Prolonged Labor—

As It Is Affected by Architecture of Pelvis—A. M. McCausland.

Presentation and Position of the Fetus—William B. Thompson.

Soft Parts (Cervix and Lower Uterine Segment)—John Vruwink.

Uterine Inertia—B. J. Hanley.

Analgesia—Joseph M. Harris.

Reconstructive Pelvic Surgery for Genital Prolapse—An evaluation of principles and methods

Ventral Fixation

Watkins Interposition

Vaginal Subtotal Hysterectomy with Interposition of the

Cervical Stump

Manchester-Pothergill

Vaginal Hysterectomy

Le Fort Colpocleisis

Speakers: Henry N. Shaw, Rafe C. Chaffin, William H. Brownfield, George E. Judd, and John C. McDermott.

† Requests concerning clinical conferences, guest speakers, and other information, should be sent to the California Medical Association headquarters office, 450 Sutter, San Francisco, in care of the Association Secretary, who is secretary ex officio of the Committee on Postgraduate Activities.

Section on Orthopedic and Traumatic Surgery

Thursday, October 9, 9:30 a. m.

Los Angeles County Medical Building

Length of Papers and Discussions: The time allowed for the presentation of a paper shall be limited to fifteen minutes. Each discussion will be limited to five minutes.

Panel Discussion

Chairman, Hugh Toland Jones

The Care of the Acutely Injured—

Factors in Mortality as Seen in the Coroner's Office—Louis J. Gogol. Discussion opened by Roy Hammack.

The Management of Shock—Robert J. Moes. Discussion opened by Wallace Dodge and Ralph Ferguson.

Brain and Spinal Cord Injuries—C. Hunter Shelden. Discussion opened by Dorrell Dickerson and George Patterson.

The Management of Chest Injuries—Lyman A. Brewer. Discussion opened by Frank Dolly and Hans E. Schiffbauer.

The Traumatic Abdomen—Anton Laubersheimer. Discussion opened by Harlan Shoemaker and Edward C. Palette.

The Treatment of Compound Injuries of the Extremities—Francis McKeever. Discussion opened by John Wilson.

Friday, October 10, 9:30 a. m.

Orthopedic Hospital

Chairman, Charles S. Young

Rigid Internal Fixation and Primary Closure of Compound Fractures of the Tibia—Walter Scott. Discussion opened by John Dunlop and Vernon Thompson.

Fractures of the Elbow in Children—Ward M. Rolland. Discussion opened by William Arthur Clark.

Treatment in Various Disabilities of the Knee Joint—Hugh T. Jones. Discussion opened by Charles S. Young.

The Neurological Aspects of Pain in the Arm and Shoulder—C. Hunter Shelden. Discussion opened by Carl Rand and Carl Von Hagen.

Dupuytren's Contracture of the Palmar Fascia, with Particular Attention to Etiology and Pathology, John K. Black. Discussion opened by J. E. Kahler and William S. Kiskadden.

Interscapular Fascial Transplants in Poliomyelitis—Charles L. Lowman. Discussion opened by Robert L. Carroll.

Urology

Thursday, October 9, 9:30 a. m.

Los Angeles County Hospital

Management of Vesical Neck Obstructions:

Chairman, Paul A. Ferrie,

Collaborators: Samuel K. Bacon, Donald Charnock, and Charles Monte Stewart.

Endoscopic Prostatic Surgery—Benign Hyperplasia—Roger W. Barnes.

Other Bladder-Neck Pathology and History—Clyde W. Colings.

Friday, October 10, 9:30 a. m.

Los Angeles County Hospital

Malignancies of the Kidney and Ureter:

Chairman, Harry W. Martin

Collaborators: A. A. Kutzmann and E. E. Kessler.

Malignancy of the Urinary Bladder and Testicle:

Chairman, Jay J. Crane

Collaborators: H. A. Rosenkranz, Lyle G. Craig, and Frederick A. Bennetts.

Eye, Ear, Nose, and Throat

Thursday, October 9, 9:30 a. m.

Children's Hospital

Eye Clinic—Ray Irvine and Staff.

Ear, Nose, and Throat Clinic—J. Mackenzie Brown and Staff.

Friday, October 10, 9:30 a. m.

Los Angeles County Hospital

Ear, Nose, and Throat Clinic—J. Mackenzie Brown and Staff.

Eye Clinic—William A. Boyce, Ray Irvine and Staff.

Proctology

Thursday, October 9, 9:30 a. m.

Hospital of the Good Samaritan

Chairman, W. H. Kiger

Surgical Significance of Some Points of Anal Anatomy—P. C. Blaisdell.

Significance of Distant Symptoms Due to Anorectal Pathology—A. J. Murrieta.

Motion Picture Photography of the Rectum and Rectosigmoid—David Miller.

Surgical Versus Injection Treatment of Internal Hemorrhoids—D. N. Yaker.

Pruritus Ani—Malcolm R. Hill.

Friday, October 10, 9:30 a. m.

Hospital of the Good Samaritan

Chairman, A. J. Murrieta

Differential Diagnosis of Anorectal Pathology—F. G. Re Bell.

Pre- and Postoperative Care of Anorectal Surgery—C. M. Taylor.

Diagnosis and Treatment of Abscesses and Fistulae of the Anorectal Region—M. I. Lomas.

Tumors of the Lower Colon—W. H. Daniel.

General Meetings

Los Angeles County Medical Association Building

1925 Wilshire Boulevard

Thursday, October 9, 2 p. m.

Chairman, Frank J. Breslin

Surgical Aspects of the Use and Abuse of the Sulfonamides:

Pharmacological Considerations—Lester H. Lonergan, Associate Professor of Pharmacology and Therapeutics, College of Medical Evangelists, Loma Linda.

Obstetrics and Gynecology—Gail Fehrensens.

Neurosurgery—R. B. Raney.

Ophthalmology—Rodman Irvine.

Urology—Jay J. Crane.

Orthopedic Surgery—Donald T. Babcock.

Otolaryngology—Charles E. Futch.

Proctology—Malcolm R. Hill.

Thursday, October 9, 3:30 p. m.

Surgical Aspects of the Use and Abuse of the Barbiturates:

Pharmacological Considerations—

In addition, Arthur E. Guedel will represent the anesthesiologists.

Friday, October 10, 2 p. m.

Chairman, William H. Brownfield

Vitamins in Surgery—Clinton H. Thienes, Professor of Pharmacology, University of Southern California.

Water Balance in Surgery—Howard F. West and Lewis F. Ellmore.

Minerals in Surgery—Burrell O. Raulston, Professor of Medicine, University of Southern California, and Clarence J. Berne.

Iodine Metabolism—E. J. Jorgensen.

Dinner Meeting

Los Angeles County Medical Association Building

1925 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles

Friday, October 10, 6:30 p. m.

The American College of Surgeons and Its Objectives—Donald G. Tollefson.

Control of Surgery in the Private Hospital—Walter A. Bayley.

Educational Requirements of the Surgeon—Verne C. Hunt.

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Postgraduate Clinics on Heart Disease

San Francisco Heart Committee: Twelfth Annual Three-Day Postgraduate Symposium on Heart Disease, October 30, 31, and November 1.

Dr. Paul Dudley White, guest speaker. Clinics to be held at University of California, Stanford and San Francisco Hospitals by Doctor White and members of the San Francisco Heart Committee. Fee, \$15. Open to all physicians. Dr. Francis L. Chamberlain, Program Chairman, Room 407, 277 Pine Street, San Francisco.

Los Angeles Heart Association Postgraduate Symposium on Heart Disease, November 4 and 5.

All day and evening sessions. Dr. Paul Dudley White, guest speaker. Open to all physicians. Fee, \$5. Dr. Lewis T. Bullock, Program Chairman, 1136 West Sixth Street, Los Angeles.

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San Diego Heart Committee Symposium, November 3 or 6.

Dr. Paul Dudley White, guest speaker. Dr. James F. Churchill, Chairman, Medico-Dental Building, San Diego. Please write to Doctor Churchill for registration and fee.

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Ninth Annual Symposium on Heart Disease

LOS ANGELES HEART ASSOCIATION, LOS ANGELES

NOVEMBER 4 AND 5, 1941

PROGRAM

Tuesday Morning Session, November 4

Los Angeles County Hospital, Room 1436, 10 a. m.

A Cardiac Clinic

Discussion of the Diagnosis and Treatment of Four Cases of Heart Disease—Paul D. White.

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Tuesday Afternoon Session, November 4

County Medical Association Building, 1925 Wilshire Boulevard, 2 p. m.

The Present Status of the Therapy of Bacterial Endocarditis—E. Richmond Ware.

Recent Advances in the Treatment of Thrombophlebitis—Clarence J. Berne.

Temporal Arteritis—A. M. Roberts.

Differential Diagnosis of Syncope—Maynard Brandsma.

An Evaluation of the Therapy of Hyperactive Carotid Sinus—Russell W. Lyster.

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Dinner Meeting, Tuesday, November 4

1925 Wilshire Boulevard, 6:30 p. m.

Heart Failure—Paul D. White.

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Wednesday Morning Session, November 5

1925 Wilshire Boulevard, 10 a. m.

Digitalis Intoxication, an Increasingly Frequent Cause of Death—William Paul Thompson.

Recent Contributions to the Pathology of Coronary Thrombosis—Richard D. Evans.

Current Theories of the Mechanism and Treatment of Hypertension—Burrell O. Raulston.

The Diagnostic Significance of Relative Aortic Insufficiency—Marvin B. Corlette.

The History and Interpretation of the First Heart Sound—William Nance Anderson.

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Wednesday Afternoon Session, November 5

1925 Wilshire Boulevard, 2 p. m.

The Present Indications for the Use of Digilamid C.—William D. Evans.

The Place of Vital Capacity Determinations in Cardiac Diagnosis—Coleman Hendricks.

The Value of Venous Pressure Determinations—Thomas H. Brem.

The Practical Use of Circulation Time Tests—Horace B. Cates.

Contributions of the Past Year to Electrocardiography—William H. Leake.

Exercise and Anoxemia Tests in the Diagnosis of Angina Pectoris and Other Forms of Coronary Insufficiency—Francis M. Smith.

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An Exhibit

In the Library, Throughout Symposium

Historical contributions to our knowledge of heart disease. Prepared by William Nance Anderson.

A Film

In the Library, Tuesday and Wednesday, 1:30 p. m.
Wednesday, 12 noon

"The Circulation of the Blood," as demonstrated by William Harvey.

A motion picture prepared by Sir Thomas Lewis. Loaned by Elmer Belt.

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Registration fee, \$5. Includes: Symposium; the dinner; a year's subscription to *Modern Concepts of Heart Disease*; yearly dues to Los Angeles and California Heart Association.

Mail reservation requests to Lewis T. Bullock, Secretary, 1136 West Sixth Street, Los Angeles.

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San Diego Postgraduate Conference, October 28-30—Preliminary Announcement

On Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, October 28-30, at 7:30 p. m., the San Diego County Medical Society will sponsor a clinical conference on gastro-enterology.

The meetings will be held in the Mercy Hospital, Hillcrest Drive, near Fifth and Washington streets.

Members of the San Diego, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, and Imperial county medical societies are invited to participate.

Dr. John C. Ruddock of Los Angeles, on Tuesday, has on his list of topics the following: Ascitis; Palpable Liver; Alcoholism; Ascitis in Women; Vague Upper Abdominal Pains; and Latent Jaundice.

Dr. Eric Larson of Los Angeles, on Wednesday, will take up: Duodenal Ulcer; X-ray Diagnosis of Cancer of Stomach; Women with Gastric Distress and Pelvic Tumor; Pelvic Exploratory or Abdominal Adhesions with Vomiting and Distress; Esophageal Hernia.

Dr. William C. Boeck of Los Angeles, on Thursday, will discuss: Acute Peptic Ulcer; Chronic Gastritis; Spastic Colitis; Chronic Appendix.

C.M.A. CANCER COMMISSION†

California Medical Association Cancer Commission: Pathology Conference

The semi-annual Microscopic Pathology Conference of the Cancer Commission will be held in the Science Building of the University of Southern California, University Avenue and Thirty-sixth Street Place, Los Angeles, on Sunday, December 14, 1941, at 9:30 a. m. As in the past, any individual wishing to present a case should send a sample slide and case history to the chairman of the committee for examination as soon as possible.

The committee arranging the meeting consists of Dr. Roy Hammack (chairman), Dr. Ernest Hall, and Dr. Newton Evans.

If the case is accepted for presentation, the committee will notify you so that you may make sixty slides and case histories for distribution. These sets should be sent to Dr. Otto H. Pflueger, in care of California Medical Association, 450 Sutter Street, San Francisco, so that they may be distributed to the participants prior to the meeting. In order that this may be done, all material should be received by the undersigned by November 30 at the very latest. Material coming in later than that cannot be sent out.

Kindly send your preliminary history and slide to the chairman of the committee, Dr. Roy Hammack, 657 South Westlake Avenue, Los Angeles. Please make reservations for the conference through Dr. Otto H. Pflueger, 384 Post Street, San Francisco.

† For roster of members of the Cancer Commission of the California Medical Association, see page 2 in the front advertising section (bottom of the second column).

COUNTY SOCIETIES†

CHANGES IN MEMBERSHIP

New Members (57)

Alameda County (3)

James R. Armstrong, *Oakland*
Arthur J. Hunnicutt, *Oakland*
John M. Simpkin, *San Leandro*

Los Angeles County (48)

William H. Bachrach, *Los Angeles*
Edison Pierce Bacon, *Santa Monica*
Nathan J. Barlow, *Bell*
Glenn L. Barnum, *Pasadena*
Geneva K. Beatty, *Long Beach*
Thomas H. Brem, *Los Angeles*
Lyman A. Brewer, *Los Angeles*
Royal Elis Brisbane, *Long Beach*
Harold D. Covell, *Los Angeles*
Wilfred Louis Deleray, *Rosemead*
Connelly M. Dobson, *Los Angeles*
John J. Durkin, *Los Angeles*
John O. Eiler, *Long Beach*
Bertrand L. Ellis, *Glendale*
George Fein, *Beverly Hills*
Irwin Globerson, *Santa Monica*
Morris Goldenberg, *Los Angeles*
Lawrence H. Hall, *South Pasadena*
Ralph Hanna, *Los Angeles*
Robert Hare, *Beverly Hills*
Reginald R. Herren, *Los Angeles*
Vernon Arthur Ingle, *Montebello*
J. Warren Johnson, *Los Angeles*
Ralph H. Kelson, *Inglewood*
Alfred Lewis, *Los Angeles*
Cecil J. Lord, *Los Angeles*
Edward G. Mack, *Beverly Hills*
William A. Macpherson, *Huntington Park*
Julian B. Marks, *Los Angeles*
Neil P. McCloy, *Los Angeles*
I. Lew Mintz, *Los Angeles*
Wendell A. Morgan, *Monterey Park*
John J. Morreale, *Los Angeles*
John A. Murphy, *Alhambra*
Earl F. Nation, *Los Angeles*
George A. Nicola, *Los Angeles*
John Orobko, *Los Angeles*
Siebert C. Pearson, *Santa Monica*
Samuel Perrie, *Long Beach*
Wilmot F. Pierce, *Los Angeles*
Robert B. Portis, *Los Angeles*
Maurice John Regan, *Los Angeles*
Robert G. Shirley, *Beverly Hills*
Willard S. Small, *Pasadena*
Floyd Winfield Smith, *Alhambra*
Frederick K. Sutterlin, *Bell*
John Ovenstone Westwater, *Los Angeles*
Theodore William Witalis, *Pomona*

San Francisco County (5)

Siegfried Fischer, *San Francisco*
Verne T. Inman, *San Francisco*
Emil Lowy, *San Francisco*
Clarence Nelson, *San Francisco*
Harold Sugarman, *San Francisco*

Santa Barbara County (1)

Allen H. Williams, *Santa Barbara*

Transfers (4)

Ray C. Atkinson, from Placer-Nevada-Sierra County to Alameda County.

Gerald L. Crenshaw, from Merced County to Alameda County.

Seymour Dudley, from Ventura County to Los Angeles County.

Virgil E. Hepp, from Yuba-Sutter-Colusa County to San Francisco County.

In Memoriam

Bittner, Simon Peter. Died at Glendale, August 30, 1941, age 62. Graduate of University of Oregon Medical School, Portland, 1906. Licensed in California in 1917. Doctor Bittner was a member of the Los Angeles County Medical Association, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

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Green, Aaron Samuel. Died at White Springs, Virginia, September 9, 1941, age 62. Graduate of Denver and Gross College of Medicine, Denver, 1908. Licensed in California in 1909. Doctor Green was a member of the San Francisco County Medical Association, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

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Grosse, Alfred B. Died at San Francisco, May 29, 1941, age 68. Graduate of Cooper Medical College, San Francisco, 1894. Licensed in California in 1894. Doctor Grosse was a member of the San Francisco County Medical Association, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

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McCoskey, Grace. Died at Stockton, August 14, 1941, age 57. Graduate of Stanford University School of Medicine, 1914. Licensed in California in 1917. Doctor McCoskey was a member of the San Joaquin County Medical Association, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

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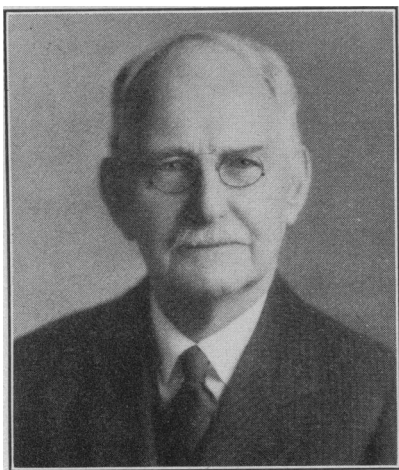
Morris, Charles Alfred. Died at Bakersfield, September 8, 1941, age 69. Graduate of College of Physicians and Surgeons of San Francisco, 1902. Licensed in California in 1902. Doctor Morris was a member of the Kern County Medical Association, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

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Rebec, William George. Died at San Mateo, September 10, 1941, age 45. Graduate of University of Michigan Medical School, Ann Arbor, 1925. Licensed in California in 1931. Doctor Rebec was a member of the San Mateo County Medical Society, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

† For roster of officers of component county medical societies, see page 4 in front advertising section.

OBITUARY



George Cooper Pardee
1857-1941

A career of public service lasting more than a half century ended with the death of Dr. George C. Pardee on September 1, 1941.

The former Governor of California and former Mayor of Oakland died at his home at 672 Eleventh Street, Oakland, where he had lived since he was a boy. He was 84.

Doctor Pardee served the public from 1889, when he became a member of the Oakland Board of Health, until May of this year (1941), when he retired as president of the East Bay Municipal Utility District and as director of the Oakland Port Commission.

Doctor Pardee was born in San Francisco on July 25, 1857, the son of Dr. E. H. Pardee, who was also a physician, born in New York, and who studied at Ann Arbor, Michigan, arriving in California in 1849, specializing in diseases of the eye, being probably the first of California's eye specialists. It is stated that "patients came to him from all parts of the Pacific Coast, he seeing frequently 80 to 140 patients a day in his office, half of whom at times were treated gratuitously."

After graduating from Oakland High School, the young George Cooper Pardee studied at the University of California and received his bachelor's degree in 1879. He attended Cooper Medical College in San Francisco and the University of Leipzig and was awarded his medical degree at the German institution in 1885.

Doctor Pardee confined his practice to diseases of eye, ear, nose, and throat. Collegiate degrees received included: Ph.B., University of California, 1879; A.M., 1882; M.D., University of Leipzig, 1885; LL.D., University of California, 1932. He was a member of the Alameda County Medical Society and California Medical Association over many years.

He became a member of the Oakland Board of Health in 1889 and served for two years in that post. Then he was on the Oakland City Council from 1891 to 1893, and was Mayor of the city from 1893 to 1895.

As a regent of the University of California, Doctor Pardee continued public service from 1899 to 1903, in which year he was elected Governor of the State. His four years of service in the governorship included the San Francisco fire of 1906, when his measures for public safety and relief won him national acclaim.

In all the years since he left the state's highest office, Doctor Pardee continued his leadership in public affairs. He was a member of the National Conservation Commission from 1907 to 1909, chairman of the Conservation Commission of the state in 1911 to 1915, and chairman

of the State Forestry Commission in 1919 to 1923, and 1928 to 1930.

He was elected a director of the East Bay Municipal Utility District in 1924 and immediately became its president, an office he held until illness led him to resign in May, last. Most of the growth of the utility district came under Doctor Pardee's presidency, the district having been formed only a year before his election as director.

Doctor Pardee became a member of the Oakland Board of Port Commissioners in 1927, when the Board was formed, and continued in that post until his resignation in May. A resolution adopted by the Board when he resigned noted that he had "given wisely of his counsel and fully of his energy to the port's development in its formative period."

The utility district directors similarly lauded Doctor Pardee on his resignation as their president. They noted that he took office with the district "at a time when most men would have retired from active pursuits and when he neared the proverbial age of three score and ten."

During all of the years that Doctor Pardee served the community as a member of the Port Commission and a member of the board of directors of the East Bay Municipal Utility District, he did so without compensation. It was a part of his public service to the community.

Besides holding the utility district and Port Commission posts, Doctor Pardee also served the state and the nation while he was in his 70's. He was chairman of the California Joint Federal-State Water Resources Commission in 1930.

Doctor Pardee was a delegate to the Republican national conventions in 1900, 1904, 1912, and 1924, and a delegate to the Progressive National Convention in 1912. He was a presidential elector in 1912 and 1924.

The *Oakland Post-Enquirer*, July 24, 1937, on the occasion of the eightieth birthday of Dr. George C. Pardee, under the caption "A Great Record of Public Service," made the following editorial comment concerning the civic services that had been rendered by Doctor Pardee:

Oakland Greet Its Most Distinguished Citizen

"George C. Pardee, ex-governor of California and president of our municipal utility district, will observe his eightieth birthday tomorrow (July 25, 1937). His home city of Oakland, and all of California, will congratulate him and his family. He has reached the eighty-year mark still vitally alert to the public interest he has served so long and still serves so indispensably. This is probably more a matter for which we should congratulate ourselves, for few cities have benefited more greatly from one man's unselfish contributions of energy and experience to the common welfare.

"With Doctor Pardee, public service is a habit of more than fifty years. He began his long career of good work fifty-two years ago as a young Oakland doctor, recently graduated from the medical school of Leipzig, Germany, and interesting himself in problems of public health. He soon became a member of the city Board of Health, and was later elected to the City Council and then to the office of mayor of Oakland. In the entire half-century since he began his career in Oakland he has served the people of his city, state, or nation continuously in some important capacity, but, with the exception of the four years he served the people of California as governor, he has never drawn a salary for his public work. From 1903 to 1907 he was governor of the state. Before that he was a regent of the University of California. He has served the nation as a member of the National Conservation Committee. For many years he was chairman of the California State Conservation Commission and the State Forestry Commission. Since 1927 he has served as a member of the Oakland Port Commission. He has served as chairman of the Federal and State Water Resources Commission.

"Since 1924 he has been president of the East Bay Municipal Utilities District, directing the destiny of that vast public undertaking, conserving its resources, lowering both district taxes and water rates, paying off indebtedness and creating the sound basis of an enterprise that will pay for itself and give the people of this district a water system free of debt. He has not only given his home community a splendid administration of its most important civic enterprise; he has given the entire nation a model of wise administration of a public ownership project, and that model has been widely followed.

"So today we may be grateful that Oakland's most distinguished and useful citizen, who will be eighty years old tomorrow, is still active in his work. It has been, and still is, a great work.

"This city has been rarely fortunate in possessing as one of its citizens a man endowed both with ability of so high a caliber and such unselfish devotion to the public good. If this good fortune is rare among cities, it is because men of this type are rare. Doctor Pardee, born in California in the days of the gold rush, coming from the stock of pioneers, has fulfilled the highest traditions of the pioneers—he has been a builder, a constructive force in the world, conserving for his fellows and those who will come after him the best of this world's values and resources.

"May he have many more years of active, useful life."

THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY TO THE CALIFORNIA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION†

MRS. HARRY O. HUND.....President
MRS. RENE VAN DE CARR.....Chairman on Publicity
MRS. ROSSNER GRAHAM.....Asst. Chairman on Publicity

President's Outline of Suggestions to County Auxiliaries and Projects for 1941-1942

1. Study both the State and your County Constitutions, in order to know how the Auxiliary functions.

2. Know the objects of the Auxiliary, as stated in Article II of the State Constitution: "To bring its members into more active affiliation with organized medicine; to encourage kindly social relationships; to cooperate with the California Medical Association and its component county societies and other organizations in all desirable public health and social welfare work."

3. Know the platform of the American Medical Association.

4. Read articles pertaining to Auxiliary work in CALIFORNIA AND WESTERN MEDICINE.

Read the *Bulletin* of the Woman's Auxiliary to the American Medical Association.

Study the *Handbook* which is published by the Woman's Auxiliary to the American Medical Association.

Through these a clearer insight will be given of the scope of the work that the Auxiliary is carrying on.

5. *Never* send out any letters in the name of the Auxiliary in regard to policy unless sanctioned by the Advisory Council through the State President.

All work carried on by the Auxiliary must first be approved by the Advisory Council of the California Medical Association.

† Reports of county chairmen of publicity should reach Mrs. Rossner Graham, Assistant Chairman of Publicity, 6101 Acacia, Oakland, by the tenth of the month previous to publication. Address of the Chairman of Publicity: Mrs. Rene Van de Carr, 51 Prospect Road, Piedmont. For roster of state and county officers, see page 6, in front advertising section.

6. Have active cooperation between the State and County officers, also with the district councilors. The members of the State Board stand ready to help in every way that they are able, so do not hesitate to call upon them. The State chairmen have formulated outlines which will be of interest and value to the County chairmen.

7. Strengthen all departments by paying special attention to programs of vital interest to your community.

PROJECTS

1. *To increase membership*, as the greatest influence of the Auxiliary, lies in the personal contacts the individual members have with lay organizations in their own communities. There is a definite need, especially in these changing and difficult times, to have this influence felt.

2. *To Promote Hygeia*. This is a project which the American Medical Association has asked us to sponsor.

3. To aid the work of the Auxiliary Committee for the Medical Benevolence Fund.

4. *Legislation*. To be ready to give full cooperation to the California Medical Association when a call goes out in regard to any legislative matter.

To study the various aspects of legislation which pertain to medicine, in order to be correctly informed when talking to the laity. Promote an educational program in the practical workings of politics. The Woman's Auxiliary to the American Medical Association has prepared for this work a very comprehensive outline.

5. To cooperate with the National President and the National chairmen of standing committees in carrying out the plans of the Woman's Auxiliary.

6. *Public Relations*. Through meetings open to lay organizations, disseminate authentic health information, and promote friendly relations between the public and the medical profession. Plan to promote a health institute or health days.

7. Promote interest in radio programs sponsored by the medical profession.

8. To strive to induce each member to have an annual physical examination.

9. To include in our program this year, subjects pertaining to

Home Defense and Nutrition

(a) Problems of food conservation.

(b) Adequate diet for the civilian population.

(c) Recreational projects.

10. Cooperate with medical defense.

As an Auxiliary to the California Medical Association, we may not affiliate with other organizations; but we should give full support by our individual services to all those carrying on a great humanitarian work.

Our Auxiliary plans must go forward in the spirit of service to humanity.

The Woman's Auxiliary has already been placed in the front ranks of those creating an understanding of authentic health information, and so may it gather greater strength in spite of the difficulties we shall face during the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. HARRY O. HUND,
President, Woman's Auxiliary to the
California Medical Association.

September 5, 1941.

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News Items

Alameda County Auxiliary activities will start this season with a luncheon meeting at the Claremont Country Club on September 19. *Our Foreign Policy—Is It Changing?* will be discussed by Mrs. Nathaniel Gardner.

Mrs. Abbott Crum, president, will preside. Members will be welcomed by Mrs. Ira Church and Mrs. George Calvin, past presidents.

Plans for the Opera Tea, which is an annual event of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Sacramento Society for Medical Improvement, are being completed. Proceeds from this benefit, scheduled for Sunday, October 5, will go to the Philanthropic Fund.

At the beginning of this Auxiliary year, it gives us great pleasure to welcome the Inyo-Mono Auxiliary. For this new unit of our organization and its president, Mrs. H. W. Crook, we wish happiness and success in the coming year.

CALIFORNIA PHYSICIANS' SERVICE†

Beneficiary Membership

September, 1939	1,220
March, 1940	9,322
September, 1940	17,398
March, 1941	24,107
September, 1941	30,071

The Board of Trustees of California Physicians' Service met in San Francisco on Saturday, September 20, 1941. The affairs of California Physicians' Service were subjected to critical analysis. A brief summary of the actions taken at this meeting is as follows:

1. The two-visit deductible contract (in which the patient pays the first two visits himself) will be the only plan offered after October 1, 1941, where full medical coverage is desired. This was done in an effort to put more responsibility for use of service on the beneficiary member.

2. Females cost more than males. Therefore, an increase in rate for females will be put into effect at once on new groups.

3. Family coverage will be added to the surgical benefit plan. This will increase the coverage in the low-income groups, and should take California Physicians' Service into a new field on a sound actuarial basis.

The incidence of illness continues to be too high. For May, June, and July, 1941, it has been 3 to 4 per cent higher than comparable months in 1940. Part of this is due to the appearance of elective surgical procedures (tonsils and hernias) for members who have passed the one-year waiting period. The high percentage (40 per cent) of continued cases which have had treatment in the previous month or months is a matter of concern to California Physicians' Service and medically can only mean that many cases are being treated for chronic conditions.

Administrative membership terms expire in twenty-one districts in the state in January, 1942. Nominations for professional members to fill these vacancies will be open early in November. The medical profession, generally, should be interested in these nominations, as the members of the Board of Trustees of California Physicians' Service

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(the policy-making body) are selected from the administrative membership.

The first issue of the California Physicians' Service monthly report is on file with the secretaries of the local county medical societies. The medical profession should take advantage of the information contained therein. Many favorable comments on this report have been received at the California Physicians' Service office from interested persons in California and throughout the United States. The next issue will be released immediately.

MEDICAL EPONYM

Gordon's Sign

Alfred Gordon (b. 1869), of Philadelphia, instructor in nervous and mental diseases, Jefferson Medical College, wrote of "A New Reflex: Paradoxical flexor reflex; Its Diagnostic Value" in *American Medicine* (8:971, 1904).

It has been my good fortune to observe a new reflex which I found present in cases, the history of which points to organic diseases of the nervous system, and especially of its motor tracts; I found it always associated with exaggerated knee-jerks; in some cases the Babinski reflex was present, in some not. . . .

The reflex can be elicited in the following manner:

The patient may either lie on his back or sit on a chair with the feet (not the legs) on a stool. The feet must be slightly rotated externally; in this position complete relaxation of the muscles of the leg is obtained. The examiner must always place himself to the outer side of the leg; the thenar and hypothenar muscles of his right hand must be placed on the inner surface of the tibia of the patient and the fingers pressed deeply upon the middle or the lower portion of the calf muscles. I say deeply because the pressure must be transmitted to the flexor muscles of the deep layer; sometimes pressure must be combined with lateral movements of the superficial muscles. If the reflex is present, extension of the great toe, or of all the toes, will be noticed. There is evidently no other muscle except the flexors that could be brought into display. . . .

If excitation of the flexors produces an extension of the toes, the reflex is certainly paradoxical. . . .—R. W. B. in *New England Journal of Medicine*, February 13, 1941.

An Occupational Fungous Disease.—Prompt diagnosis and treatment are essential in cases of sporotrichosis, an occupational fungous disease, Frank M. Gastineau, M. D.; Louis W. Spolyar, M. D., and Edith Haynes, Ph. D., Indianapolis, point out in *The Journal of the American Medical Association* for September 27 in a report of six cases among florists.

The causative fungus is called *Sporotrichum schencki*. The disease chiefly affects agricultural manual workers and tends to be disabling and chronic if not diagnosed early. It is generally initiated by an abscess due to injury of the skin, followed by a series of nodules or lumps under the skin which are painless and later ulcerate. The ulcers resemble tuberculosis of the skin, syphilis sores, staphylococcal infections or tularemia, known as rabbit fever. The authors point out that if the disease is not diagnosed early the victim "undergoes an economic loss out of proportion to his disease; he may also suffer a stigma due to a wrong diagnosis."

Discussing the source of their patients' infections the authors say: "Tabulation of the raw materials and by-products used revealed that all six handled different fertilizers, three used peat moss of different brands and all used sphagnum moss, plumosa and flat ferns. One used home-grown carnations and one grew roses. Epidemiologically, the common denominator appeared to be the sphagnum moss, the plumosa or the flat fern. . . ."

We become willing servants to the good by the bonds their virtues lay upon us. Service to man is the highest service to God.—Sidney.